IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA **EASTERN DIVISION**

LORI ANN MORRIS	j
Plaintiff,]
v.	Civil Action No. 3:05-CV-962-T
EDWARD NEAL THOMPSON and	i
FLORIDA TRANSFORMER,	ļ
Defendants.	J 1

REPORT ON FACE-TO-FACE SETTLEMENT MEETING

On June 22, 2006, a face-to-face settlement conference was held between the parties. Present at the conference on behalf of the plaintiff was Henry Penick. Lorrie Ann Morris, the plaintiff, was available by telephone. Richard Broughton and Evans Brittain were present on behalf of the defendant. The Claims Representative for the liability carrier that insures the defendant was also available by telephone.

This lawsuit arises out of a trucking accident which occurred on September 2, 2004 at approximately 3 a.m. The tractor-trailer being driven by Vernell Brian Morris was overturned in the northbound lane of I-85, with the undercarriage facing oncoming traffic. The tractor-trailer driven by Edward Neal Thompson collided with the undercarriage of Mr. Morris' tractor-trailer. The plaintiff has filed this lawsuit, stating claims for wrongful death.

After conducting a face-to-face meeting, the parties were unable to reach a settlement. The parties discussed the fact that the upcoming depositions may help clear up the issues to be resolved in this lawsuit. In addition, the parties agreed that once further discovery is completed, both sides will be amenable to having a formal mediation, with the mediator to be selected by the parties.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this July 7, 2006, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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